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Sunday February 15th 1891

2:03 in cave

(Crystal Route) 1 trip

Father and I packed a box of cornisites this morning. At 10:35 A.M. I started in the cave to get some mineral crystals. I went to the south end of Crystal Palace Via, the old stalactite rooms and the deep hole near them. I first worked out the pocket of mineral crystals that I discovered on the 13th inst, and then went on the circle that I found the last time. Broads folks was in the cave with me. When I got about half way around the circle I found a mineral crystal that was capped with calcite cut crystals. When I got nearly around circle to the left I discovered a young crystal core & worked it partly out, but I did not take any of it out of doors. I came back to the mineral crystal I first worked out & loaded up ready to come out of the cave. When I arrived at the entrance George McMenis, our first neighbor down Wind Canon took me by surprise. After dinner I went home with him, the first time have been down to his place this year, and came back about dark, the weather was cloudy when I got up this morning and has been getting colder ever since. This is the coldest evening we have had this winter, so far. I got out of the cave today at 12:38 P.M.

Monday February 16th 1891

6:22 in cave

(Monument Hall Route) 1 trip

I took a circle around the hills this morning to get a rabbit but failed. At 1:30 P.M. J. M. more Elmer and I started in the cave to work the road between Rossmoor and Red Hall J. M. more and Elmer put in a shot in Rossmoor while I worked near the Hall with the sledge hammer, fixing the path I arrived at the entrance at 7:52 P.M., and was plenty tired. The weather has been cloudy and the snow has not thawed a bit today (in this part of the country). Good night (M.A.W.)